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REDS WIN ON PENALTIES, QUADRUPLE STILL ON

After a goalless 120 minutes, Liverpool hold their nerve to beat Chelsea 6-5 in shoot-out for 2nd title of season

TSIMIKAS, THE SHOOT-OUT HERO

Both teams wasted glorious chances during regulation time, with Andrew Robertson and Luis Diaz of Liverpool hitting the frame of the goal. Even the extra 30 minutes were not enough for both the teams to break the deadlock. In the shoot-out, it was 4-4 in the beginning of sudden death before Kostas Tsimikas (in picture) made Mason Mount pay for his miss

SALAH INJURY A BLOW FOR LIVERPOOL

- Mohamed Salah went off injured in the 33rd minute. The Premier League's top scorer went down with no other players around him
- Liverpool will hope for Salah to recover for Champions League final against Real Madrid on May 28. Coming into this game, they had an outside chance to win an unprecedented quadruple

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THIS WAS LIVERPOOL'S EIGHTH FA CUP TITLE

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BJP's blundering Biplab out, Saha to be Tripura CM

Major shake-up barely months away from state polls; successor is state party chief

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @Guwahati

TRIPURA BJP chief and recently-elected Rajya Sabha member Manik Saha will be the state's next chief minister. He was elected the BJP legislature party leader on Saturday, hours after Biplab Kumar Deb's resignation from the post. The shake-up comes months ahead of Assembly elections in the state.

Saha, a 67-year-old dentist-turned-politician, was elected to Rajya Sabha on March 31. He took over as the state BJP chief last year and is a confidant of Deb.

BJP sources said a section of ministers and party MLAs had been livid with Deb for the past two years for his alleged autocratic style of functioning. He allegedly gave no freedom to the ministers and the MLAs to take decisions independently.

The problem started in 2019 when he sacked health minister Sudip Roy Barman. Barman was the first to raise the banner of revolt along with 8-10 MLAs. They had met the party's central leaders several times to complain against Deb. In due course, three MLAs ditched the BJP with Barman going to the Congress where he had started his political career from. Several other MLAs had also petitioned the party's central leadership against Deb.

BJP sources said the central leadership was not happy over the manner in which Deb was running the government that saw people starting to repose their faith again on the Left and the Trinamool Congress.

During his first two years as CM, Deb had embarrassed the BJP with his several bizarre remarks. In 2018, he had set tongues wagging by claiming that Internet and satellite existed since the time of the Mahabharata and that ducks raise the level of oxygen in water bodies when they swim. He had also said that only civil engineers should sit for civil services exams.

Manik Saha

BJP'S GAME OF MUSICAL CHAIRS

Anandiben Patel steps down as Gujarat CM in 2016, one year before state elections

Successor **Vijay Rupani** quits in 2021, replaced by Bhupendra Patel before Gujarat polls that is due this year-end

Karnataka CM **B S Yediyurappa** forced to quit in 2021; Bommai successor; state polls due in mid-2023

Trivendra Singh Rawat vacates Uttarakhand CM seat in 2021; succeeded by Tirath Singh Rawat

Tirath Singh Rawat resigns on July 4, 2021 after staying in office for four months

Pushkar Singh Dhami takes over as Uttarakhand CM, leads party to victory in state polls in 2022

Delhi fire: 7 bodies identified, 32 still missing

IFRAH MUFTI @New Delhi

A day after a devastating fire at a three-storey building in west Delhi's Mundka killed at least 27 people, the authorities were back to blaming the familiar culprits – the building had no fire safety certificate, it had single entrance and exit gates and it had no design clearance from civic authorities.

In terms of casualties, Friday's fire at the commercial building was the largest since the blaze at a factory in the Anaj Mandi area in 2019 and the second largest since the Uphaar Cinema tragedy in 1997. At least 32 people remain missing, fire officials said. According to the Deputy Commissioner of Police Sameer Sharma, most of the missing are women.

Rescue work progressing at the building that caught fire in Mundka | PARVEEN NEGI

The firefighting operation concluded on Saturday morning. Sources said the building built on Lal Dora (village) land was supposed to be residential, but was functioning as a space for offices, factory and godowns. Fire extinguishers and fire safety alarms were absent. Survivors recalled how they were trapped in a room full of smoke. They used tables to break windowpanes and arranged makeshift ropes. "It is a miracle how we have survived," said a man who sustained major injuries. "The huge building had one congested staircase and we did not realize how dangerous it was," a cleaning staff said. "My mother was wearing a saree and mustered courage to jump using a rope," said 12-year-old Vanshika.

Bodies of seven have been identified on Saturday, said the DCP. Meanwhile, the fire officials said the toll is expected to rise. Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal said he has ordered a judicial probe. Indicating the fire's fury, Delhi Fire Service Director Atul Garg said, "It is difficult to identify whether the human remains were of one or multiple persons," he said.

Police have arrested two persons so far. The owner of the building is absconding.

50% party posts to weaker sections: Cong's social re-engineering

SHAHID FARIDI @Udaipur

THE Congress has decided to undertake a major social re-engineering by reserving 50% of all party posts for SCs, STs, OBCs and minorities, and demanding a nationwide caste-based census. It also sought reservation in private sector for SCs, STs and OBCs, and quota for SC and ST women in the Women's Reservation Bill.

The proposal has been made by the party's panel on social justice and empowerment. It would be placed for approval at the Congress Working Committee that is scheduled to meet here on Sunday. P7

Police shoot, injure acid attacker Nagesh after he tries to escape

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Kamakshipalya police on Saturday shot and injured Nagesh Babu, the acid attack accused, after he tried to escape from the police by throwing stones at them. Nagesh, who threw acid on a 24-year-old woman on April 28, was being brought to the city after his arrest at Thiruvannamalai in Tamil Nadu on Friday.

Early on Saturday morning, as they were nearing Bengaluru, Nagesh requested the policemen to allow him to attend nature's call. The police stopped near Kengeri Bridge and soon after getting down from the police jeep, he picked up some stones and tried to attack Head Constable Mahadevaiah in a bid to escape. Police Inspector Prashanth opened fire at his right leg to immobilise him. Nagesh was later taken to a hospital, where he is recovering. The police have now sought his custody for interrogation.

Of the seven special teams formed to nab the accused, one caught him near a temple at Thiruvannamalai on Friday afternoon. CONTINUED ON: P3

Acid attack accused Nagesh in hospital after being shot in the leg | EXPRESS

Wheat export banned to contain inflation, maintain food security

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

AMID concerns of lower-than-expected production, the government on Saturday announced a total ban on wheat export with immediate effect. It drew stinging criticism from the G7 nations, which said the global food situation would worsen if each country starts imposing export restrictions. Justifying its decision, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said it is prohibiting exports of wheat "in order to manage the overall food security of the country and to support the needs of the neighbouring and other vulnerable countries". But exports will be permitted on special request from countries facing food security challenges. Also, exports will be allowed of shipments where Letter of Credit (LoC) has been issued on or before the export ban.

Commerce secretary B V R Subramanian said the decision also comes in the wake of rising inflationary pressure in the country. India exported 7.2 million tonne wheat in 2021-22. According to the commerce secretary, the country has contracted 4.5 million tonnes exports so far in 2022-23 of which 1.46 million tonnes has been exported in April itself.

Wheat production this year is likely to fall due to early heat affecting crops. The production is likely to be around 105 million tonnes in 2022-23, down from the earlier estimate of 111 million tonnes. P7

EXPRESS READ

Nirmala on state BJP list for Rajya Sabha polls

Bengaluru: The BJP Core Committee has recommended five names, including Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman for the Rajya Sabha polls, and 20 names, including BS Yediyurappa's son and BJP Karnataka vice president BY Vijayendra for MLC polls. A senior BJP leader told TNSE that of the four Rajya Sabha seats, party is confident of winning two. P4

BBMP garbage truck mows down delivery boy

Bengaluru: Another BBMP garbage truck was involved in a fatal accident on Saturday, this time, mowing down a 25-year-old food delivery partner in Chikkajala. This is the 4th accident involving BBMP garbage trucks in the last two months, despite the Bengaluru traffic police holding awareness campaigns among these drivers. The biker, Devanna M from Surapura in Yadgir, was staying with his friends in Kothanur. P5

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